

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-43

**AN ORDINANCE REPLACING “CHURCH” WITH “PLACE OF ASSEMBLY”,
THEREBY AMENDING CHAPTER 21 OF THE CITY CODE**

The City Council of the City of Bloomington, Minnesota ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 21 of the City Code is hereby amended by deleting those words that are contained in brackets and [~~stricken through~~] and adding those words that are underlined, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 21: ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

ARTICLE II: DISTRICTS AND USES

DIVISION G: OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICTS

§ 21.208.04 AIRPORT RUNWAY OVERLAY DISTRICTS.

(c) Uses. All permitted principal, provisional, conditional, interim and accessory uses allowed in the primary zoning district are allowed in the Airport Runway Overlay Districts with the exception of the following prohibited uses.

(2) Airport Runway (AR-22) Overlay District.

(A) Within the portion of the Airport Runway (AR-22) Overlay District designated as Safety Zone B as contained in § V Land Use Safety Zoning of the 2004 MSP zoning ordinance and shown on MSP Zoning Map Safety Zones-Plate SZ-20, the following uses are prohibited unless a variance permitting the use is granted by the Board of Adjustment established by the 2004 MSP zoning ordinance:

(III) [~~Churches~~] Places of assembly;

ARTICLE III: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

DIVISION B: USE STANDARDS

§ 21.302.37 TOWERS AND ANTENNAS.

(b) *Area specific requirements for towers and antennas.*

(1) Towers outside the right-of-way in residential zoning districts. Towers are allowed only in the following residentially zoned areas:

(B) Towers supporting commercial antennas and conforming to all applicable provisions of this code are allowed only in the following residentially zoned locations:

(i) [~~Church~~] Place of assembly sites, when the antenna support structure is fully camouflaged as a bell tower, steeple or similar structure;

(f) *Tower setbacks.* Towers must conform with each of the following minimum setback requirements.

(4) A tower's setback may be reduced or its location in relation to a public street varied, at the sole discretion of the approving body, to allow the integration of a tower into an existing or proposed structure such as a [~~church~~]place of assembly steeple, light standard, power line support device or similar structure.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

Passed and adopted this 17th day of November, 2025.

/s/ Victor Rivas
Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/ Priyanka Rai
Secretary to the Council

/s/ Melissa J. Manderschied
City Attorney